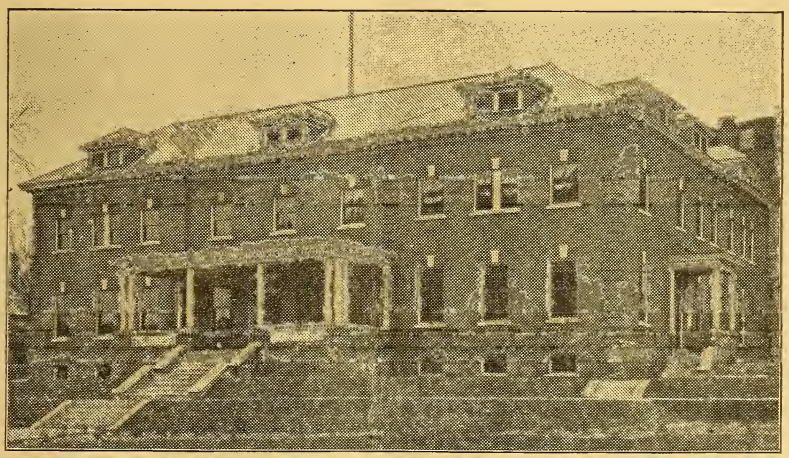
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Kindness.

The best balm for the healing of life's hurts is Kindness. It is like the air of early summer winds blowing softly through woods of balsam fir, of which the tired invalid breathes deeply and gratefully and falls into soothing sleep. It is like the dew, or the slow, soft rain that falls through still nights upon the parched earth, causing the withering grass to freshen and the drooping flowers to take heart of hope.

Much that the philosophers and the theologians tell us about God we cannot understand, and perhaps it is not important that we should understand; but we can understand what Jesus tells us of the Highest, who is the Father of us all, that "he is kind to the unthankful and to the evil," and that "he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust."

Kindness is like the rich, brooding silence which envelops the earth, into which all torturing noises and rasping discords are absorbed, a measureless silence at the heart of which there is everlasting peace. Kindness comes with soft footsteps down the corridors of Pain, where those who suffer much cry and moan, and where those who suffer most are silent; and her touch is so gentle that those who moan and cry look up and smile, and those whose pain is too deep and bitter for cry or moan forget for a time their agony and break their suffering silence with words of gratitude.

Kindness is the spirit of yearning compassion in the heart of God, who pities them that fear him as a father pities his children; who comforts those who trust in him even as a mother comforteth. Kindness is the spirit that presides over the cradles of the world, the mother-spirit, that is the soul of all goodness, that has widened out from the cradle over the whole of life, the heart's lullaby translated into the universal love songs of the world.

Kindness is strong beyond measure. Her hands are as soft as the hands of a little child, but they have the enduring strength of steel. Her feet are very gentle, but they are swift and tireless to run on far missions of mercy. Her face is as fair as the face of a timorous maid, but the spirit behind it is as dauntless as that of the warrior who knows no fear. Iron gates, at which violence has battered in vain, open at the magic of her touch; and Anger, and Hate, and Suspicion, and Jealousy, and Cruelty, the aboriginal savage passions of the soul, unconquered and untamed by material force, surrender to Kindness and are transformed by her heart-softening and regenerating power.

Justice is great, and knowledge is great, and truth is great, and faith is great, and hope is great; but Kindness is greater than they all, for Kindness is love, and love is God.—*J. T. McFarland, Editor.*

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The General Electric Company's works are an example of modern efficiency. Reputable mechanical engineers of experience and ability design and supervise construction and make constant improvements.

Each machine or product of the company is drafted, both collectively and in detail, before work on any part is commenced. Inspectors follow the work at each stage and compare with the drawings to see that it is satisfactory.

The majority of the work has a required accuracy of .001 inch and large diameters on rough work seldom have over .005 allowance for variation. This permits of pieces of machines to be duplicated and sent to foreign points, as there are few countries which do not use the General Electric products.

Castings and forgings must be free from blow-holes and hard spots, as working such material is expensive and unsatisfactory. This explains the high speed of the machines and the large quantities they produce per day.

A close connection is maintained between their foundries and machine shop, so that only castings of suitable properties for the purpose for which they are intended are supplied.

All bar iron and steel is chemically tested, seams or impurities are occasions for rejection. Bar iron, all shapes and sizes, both rough and rolled to .001 of an inch, is in stock. If a cylindrical piece is required to finish 15-16 inch, a one-inch piece of round, cold-rolled is furnished. Should it be necessary to use a ¾ key a ¾-inch piece of square steel rolled to .001 is cut off the bar by the power saw; that is to say, suitable stock is always provided which can be worked at the least expense.

Obsolete machines are constantly eliminated and the latest successful one supplied. Machines are all motor-driven, accurate and supplied with chucks, jigs, wrenches and all tools required for the work it is to perform. Leather belts of more than one piece are not tolerated.

The company has a four-years' apprentice system for nearly all trades and a specialist's course of six months which qualifies men for one line of work.

All kinds, classes and conditions and all nationalities are represented in the working force.

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The shops are light, clean and sanitary. Jigs and templets are extensively used.

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The company manufacture nearly everything they use, hardly a trade or vocation but is represented.

They manufacture everything electrical from a vacuum cleaner to an auto truck or from vibration treatment to a thunder storm.

PRAYERS.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL JOURNAL.

We come, O Sinless One, with all our frailty, in full confidence because thou, too, wast tempted. Pardon our transgressions. Cleanse our stained natures. We thank thee that thou dost hear and answer. Forewarn us. Fortify us. We are tricked easily. We stray often. The flesh is weak. Envy curdles love. Hate hardens the heart. Give us, O Christ of Bethany, great tenderness. Teach us to honestly forgive our enemies. We rejoice that man's obstructions and cruelty cannot defeat thy plans. Keep us calm amidst persecutions. Preserve our best sentiments. Steady us in the Way Everlasting. We rejoice that a crown awaits the faithful. Thine is the glory. Amen.

We acknowledge our sins, O God our Father. Forgive the transgressions and neglects. Our promises have fallen short. Yet thou dost not cast us off. May thy patience bring our best to the heart-throne. Thou hast guarded us against the fruitage of our wickedness. May past deliverances safeguard us from similar dangers. Our plotting jealousy cannot defeat thy plans. Our wisdom may be foolishness in thine eyes. We thank thee for the peace pardon brings. We now accept thy cleansing. Keep us merciful in daily dealings. So often we are hard taskmasters. Furnish us to be competent carriers of thy proffered pardon to the world. In the name of Him who loved us. Amen.

We bless thee, O God of Jacob, that thy hand is not shortened. Make us fruitful under the light of thy love as is the vine with grapes when fed by the sun. Sweeten our sleep with visions of thy face. Train us to plant truth for such a flowering. Arouse aspirations. Awaken zeal. Enable us to fix recognized mile-posts in our upward progress. Train us until guidance is clear. Open our eyes to the footmarks of the Master. Increase our fellowship seasons. Deliver us from spiritual dullness. Sensitize us for the small whispers. We rejoice in thy favor. Enhance our estimates of it. Settle us to pay love tributes with a regular portion of our income. Send us often to a definite Bethel, O Friend Divine, that the Father's glory may glow through us. Amen and Amen.

We worship thee, thou Father of Jacob and of Jesus. Thou hast placed us in a goodly land and time. Many about us are deaf to thy voice and so sorrow and suffer alone. Speak through us the word in due season. Thou hast ordered our lives marvelously. So furnish us in giving thee the glory that doubt may flee from dimmed minds. We so easily take credit for the things thou hast wrought out for us. Our egotism irritates and shuts hearts against the good we would do. So possess us, O God, that we may unconsciously and effectively bless where'er we go. In his name. Amen.

Armor us with enduring courage, O Great Captain. We thank thee for tokens of victory. Teach us how to be true brothers to man. He needs us so often and direfully. Deadly habits dress in gay robes. Inborn weaknesses suffer assault. Touch us with sympathy for our drink-driven neighbor. Keep hope and effort alive for his redemption. Give us a determined patience in fighting the saloon, which poisons souls and burns down wills. Empower us with a gentle persistence in persuading people to total abstinence. Furnish us to gain recruits for legal saloon banishment. Keep us steadily watchful as good soldiers of thine. Amen.

Rev. Billy Sunday will conduct his plan of winning common people early in 1914 at Scranton, Pa., where a tabernacle seating 10,000 people will be built for him. His presence will help the Railroad Department in that city, as he has always benefited the western association members and families with his direct message.

Thy love shall weave its own beatitudes
Out of its own self-service. A child's kiss
Placed on thy sighing lips, shall make thee glad;
A poor man, helped by thee, shall make thee rich;
A sick man, served by thee, shall make thee strong.
Thou shalt thyself be served by every sense
Of service which thou renderest.

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A summer campaign for members means bath benefits during the summer, beds during summer travel, an introduction card for vacation trips and the upkeeping of the men's building for winter entertaining and instruction.

Be a booster! Be a giver! Be interested!

Summer Play.

The South End playgrounds are open for girls Monday and Wednesday afternoons with competent women to direct. The plan for story-telling of history, nature, biography, mythology, etc., will draw some unselfish women to entertain your children.

The boys and young men are to have games Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6 to 7.30 o'clock. Volley ball, basket ball, indoor ball, baseball, contests, relay races, doctor's talks, woodcraft, field day and small games are on for this summer.

The ball league outing was enjoyable and netted the league $7.40 from candy sale, $9.25 auto fares and $1.50 the next morning from the South Street car. The last item, purely voluntary and in good fun and interest. The total was $18.15.

The married women do the next stunt by selling iced drinks on the grounds. It is understood that this money is all for the baseball league expenses.

CHICAGO, April 21.—Representatives of 34 railroads to-day organized the National Railway Safety First Association. It will promulgate a campaign of education with the view of reducing accidents on railroads. Bureaus of information will be established in several large cities, where lectures on railway safety will be delivered.







South End Playgrounds Groups.

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A THREE YEARS' COURSE.

The Railroad Department of the Eastern Association School will continue its three years' course. Classes for the first and second year men will be held July 31st to August 13th, and the class for advanced men and the graduating group will be held August 14th to August 28th.

All of the first year men of last year will take the second year studies this year, while the second year men of a year ago, will return the last two weeks to enter the graduating class.

All graduates, or advanced men, may enter the special course for graduates or take the regular third year course of the Railroad school. Note the strong leaders secured for these courses.

SPECIAL FEATURES.

Prof. M. A. Honline will be a strong attraction to the advanced men in his illustrated course on "Biblical Pedagogy;" Edward Hungerford will continue his interesting course on "Modern Railroads and Railroaders;" John F. Moore, just back from his world's tour, will bring inspiring and instructive lessons on "The Outlook for Railroad Work in the Orient;" George A. Warburton of Toronto, with his attractive personality and long experience in Railroad work, will give a course on "The Personal Life of the Secretary."

DEDICATION OF THE NEW RAILROAD BUILDING.

It is expected that the new Railroad Department building will be ready for the use of the first and second year classes beginning July 31st. The formal dedication service will be held Wednesday, August 13th, to give opportunity for the students in both the first and second terms of the school to participate. An inspiring and noteworthy program will be arranged and all students of the Railroad school past and present, together with all subscribers to the building fund are cordially invited and urged to be present.

Rollins Park Meetings.

The fourteenth season of park Sunday afternoon services began June 29 with the following speakers secured for the hour 3 to 4 o'clock:

June 29—Rev. Edwin E. Bishop, D. D.

July 6—Rev. Nehemiah Boynton, D. D.

July 13—Rev. W. C. Myers.

July 20—Rev. W. Stanley Emery.

July 27—Rev. W. S. Bassett.

August 10—Association Sunday.

August 17—Old Home Sunday.

August 24—Salvation Army meeting.

August 31—Labor Sunday.

September 7—Rev. H. B. Williams.

Herbert W. Rainie, Miss Florence P. Newell and other musicians are to assist. With permission from the park commissioners new seats with backs are to be built. The offerings go to the expenses of caretaker, officer, musicians and printing. All railroad families are sure to enjoy this pleasant place and the interesting program.

A Pensioner's Visit.

A veteran visitor from the city of St. Paul is W. H. Neal, pensioned locomotive engineer, who ran the night express for thirty-two years and completed forty years of service. He has not visited here for ten years and only knows veteran John Hutchins and a few others, although he lived here when a boy. The Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha has a good system of pensioning as the experience of Mr. Neal proves. All employees are taken out of service at 70 years of age. The employees' relief association has sick

benefits, hospital aid, burial and a pension amounting to half of the amount granted the road's pensioners. Mr. Neal has had the finest courtesy from all the western roads for a trip last winter to the cities on the Pacific coast. This veteran's call reminds us that you should bring your railroad visitors to look over this men's building and to meet the men who like to visit about railroad conditions on other roads.

Hot Weather Tabloids.

Where the sun does not come, the doctor does.

Doing well depends upon doing completely.

A good cause makes a brave heart and a strong arm.

Everyone is a physician or a fool at forty.

Virtue dwells in the heart, not on the tongue.

Prevention is far better than cure.

When passion is on the throne, reason is out of doors.

Our greatest misfortunes come to us from ourselves.

Reflect a long time, then decide promptly.

Wise leaders are not blind to the signs of the times.

Better foster trust than allow distrust.

The poor man's all may be his best upbuilding.

Air, sunshine and water are healthy medicine.

SOUTH END BASEBALL LEAGUE.

May 5—Boilermakers *vs.* Machinists, 3-9.
May 7—Blacksmiths *vs.* Carbuilders, no score.
May 8—Boilermakers *vs.* Carbuilders, 14-8.
May 9—Blacksmiths *vs.* Machinists, 5-5.
May 12—Machinists *vs.* Carbuilders, 7-5.
May 14.—Blacksmiths *vs.* Boilermakers, 0-7.
May 15—Blacksmiths *vs.* Machinists, 1-9.
May 16—Boilermakers *vs.* Carbuilders, rain.
May 19—Boilermakers *vs.* Blacksmiths, 6-7.
May 20—Blacksmiths *vs.* Carbuilders, 9-1.
May 21—Carbuilders *vs.* Machinists, 1-8.
May 22—Boilermakers *vs.* Machinists, rain.
May 23—Blacksmiths *vs.* Carbuilders, rain.
May 26—Blacksmiths *vs.* Carbuilders, 10-1.
May 28—Boilermakers *vs.* Machinists, rain.
May 29—Blacksmiths *vs.* Boilermakers, postponed.
June 2—Machinists *vs.* Boilermakers, 0-3.
June 3—Blacksmiths *vs.* Carbuilders, 2-3.
June 4—Blacksmiths *vs.* Carbuilders, 10-4.
June 5—Blacksmiths *vs.* Machinists, 8-3.
June 6—Boilermakers *vs.* Carbuilders, 17-7.
June 9—Boilermakers *vs.* Carbuilders, 9-2.
June 10—Boilermakers *vs.* Carbuilders, 5-3.
June 11—Machinists *vs.* Carbuilders, 10-2.
June 12—Boilermakers *vs.* Blacksmiths, 6-5.
June 13—Machinists *vs.* Blacksmiths, 3-0.
June 16—Machinists *vs.* Carbuilders, 4-7.
June 17—Boilermakers *vs.* Machinists, 13-1.
June 18—Machinists *vs.* Boilermakers, 21-2.
June 19—Blacksmiths *vs.* Carbuilders, 10-3.
June 20—Boilermakers *vs.* Carbuilders, 9-7.
June 23—Blacksmiths *vs.* Machinists, 3-4.
June 24—Blacksmiths *vs.* Carbuilders, 12-3.
June 25—Carbuilders *vs.* Machinists, 1-5.
June 26—Blacksmiths *vs.* Boilermakers, 3-7.
June 27—Blacksmiths *vs.* Machinists, 4-2.
June 30—Boilermakers *vs.* Carbuilders, 1-2.
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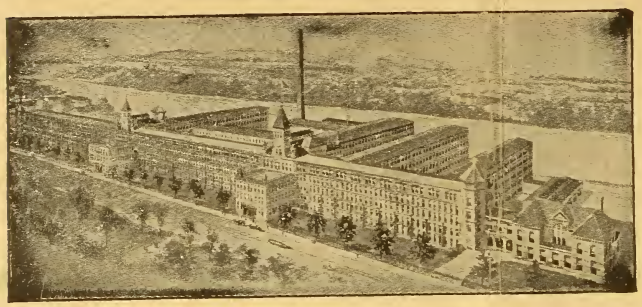
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